

Emergency test changed in response to survey

BY KALEIGH MAHER
news editor

After an evaluation of the first test of the emergency notification system, a follow-up test was conducted on Sunday at 3 p.m. Madison Alert, the outdoor siren and PA system, blast e-mail messages and text/voice message notifications were tested.

Donna Harper, executive assistant to the president, said the second test was conducted to determine how effective the systems are, to see how much the public safety department needs to do to educate the community and to get people used to the sounds so they know how to respond to them in a real emergency.

University Spokesman Don Egle said the test involved three major changes based on observations and survey results from the first test. The volume on the siren and PA system were increased, the pause between the siren and voice instruction were lengthened and they made improvements in terms of confirming new registrations with the voice/text message system. Egle said the Department of Public Safety's Web site added educational resources about the siren system as well.

"The test this past Sunday went very well," Egle said.

Harper said the survey conducted after the first test of the emergency notification system revealed the primary reasons people are not registering for the alerts are because they don't have cell phones or are concerned about how their number will be used. Harper said she hopes to better educate the latter that their numbers will only be used for the emergency alert and will not be given to anyone else.

"That won't be the only way they'll get the information," she said. "There are still other ways people will get the word, but so many of our students are so savvy with their cell phones it could be the first way to get the information."

A survey was e-mailed to the entire JMU community on Tuesday. Harper said officials want to know how effective the emergency alerts were as well as how timely so that they can continue to improve.

"Safety is a high priority," Harper said. "We're going to keep reviewing the systems."

The survey must be completed by Tuesday.

Harper said that while the Emergency Response Team is still collecting data, they know some parts of the test went well because people were stationed throughout the campus.

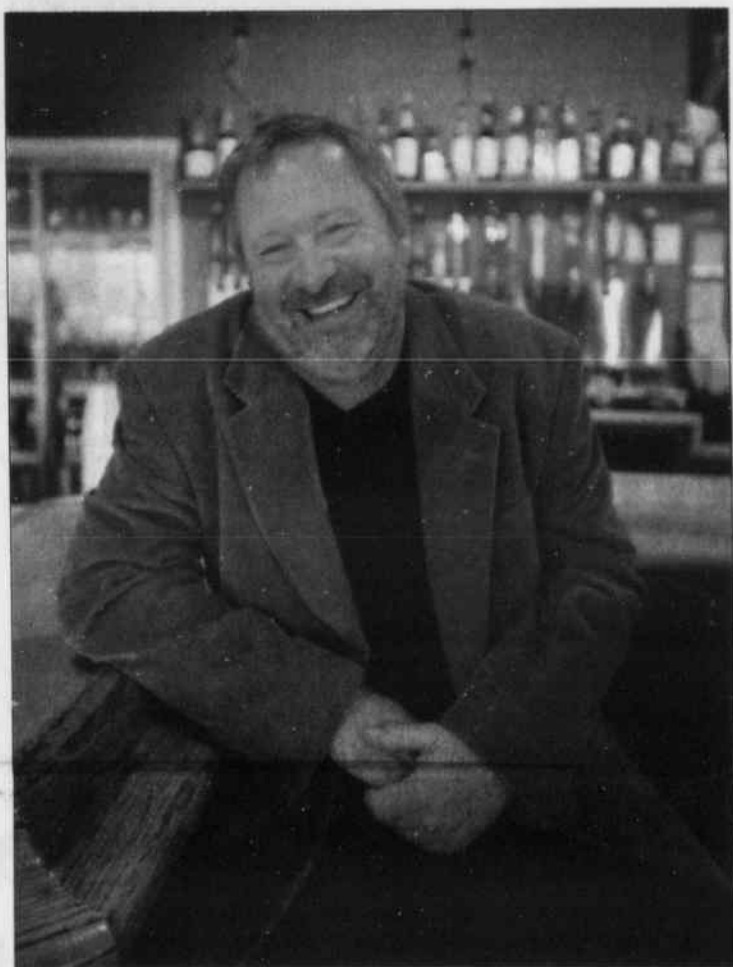
"From most of our information it went well," she said, adding that the ERT plans to continue tweaking the notification systems in some areas where the speakers echoed and the message will need to be slowed down. Harper said the content was still understandable.

Egle said there has been a steady increase in sign ups for the text/voice mail notifications. Currently, 8,079 people have signed up to receive an alert.

"We're hoping to see improvement," Harper said. "— that more people got [the test message] than the first time."

BREEZE EXCLUSIVE

Pub's manager heads to Rocktown



AARON STEWART/photo editor

Former Pub manager Chuck Troutman said he hopes to attract more JMU students to Rocktown during the week.

BY KELLY FISHER
senior writer

Harrisonburg's nightlife is in for a big change.

Chuck Troutman left his position as general manager of The Pub yesterday and will take over as general manager for Rocktown Grill, effective tomorrow.

"Anyone who is familiar with the bar scene here knows this will send shock waves through it," Troutman said.

Troutman and Ike Coe, owner of Rocktown, met on-and-off over the past year. Recently they sat down and decided it was time they teamed up at Rocktown.

"We talked about live music and how it's not really appreciated by JMU people," Coe said. "We talked about how to get them more involved, just because it's a good life lesson to hear good music."

According to Coe, Troutman knows the right stuff when it comes to navigating the college music scene in Harrisonburg.

Troutman took The Pub from being mainly

a hangout to a student hotspot during the week.

"I came here five years ago, when [The Pub] was on the verge of bankruptcy and it just wasn't very student-oriented," he said. "I put a lot of work into turning it around."

Since then, The Pub gained a student following with its College Band Nights, which feature JMU and other local bands for 18-years-and-up shows.

Its main competitor, Rocktown Grill, has a strong Thursday night following for its own College Night, which has been a staple in many JMU students' party schedule for the past several years. As Rocktown's new head of marketing, Troutman doesn't plan on changing that.

"I'm not going to change anything that already works, i.e. Thursday nights," he said. "But what I am going to do is optimize the music aspect. I want to make Rocktown a place people go to more than one night a week."

Another thing Troutman hopes to bring

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Katrina relief trip planned

Faculty, students traveling to Ninth Ward for Thanksgiving

BY EMILY NILSEN
contributing writer

Two years after Hurricane Katrina slammed the Gulf Coast, JMU is sending 110 volunteers to New Orleans. Last Thanksgiving they gutted houses; this year they're building them.

The group will spend five days in the Ninth Ward, the residential area where homes were submerged in minutes after a levee broke, making it one of the worst of the areas hit by Katrina.

The group of JMU students, in addition to faculty, family members and local high school students, aim to bring "some normalcy" to lives of the residents of the Ninth Ward, said Mary Slade, JMU faculty co-leader of her sixth Katrina relief trip. The group will travel 17 hours to New Orleans in charter buses and stay in the Ninth Ward in a renovated abandoned school provided by the National Relief Network.

Now that the majority of houses are gutted or torn down, the volunteers will help build new homes in their place. Sakura Kone, media coordinator for Common Ground Collective, said many of the houses in the Ninth Ward are under contract for repairs or total rebuilds. Most of the JMU volunteers will work in these houses hanging drywall. Slade works with National Relief Network and Common Ground Collective to locate the jobs.

The group will also restore parks and playgrounds. The flooding destroyed New Orleans' natural habitat.

"All soil in New Orleans is poisonous," Kone said.

Restoring playgrounds will give children safe places to play away from their now-toxic backyards. The Ninth Ward was the most impoverished area in New Orleans, Slade said. Its residents don't just want to rebuild their old home.

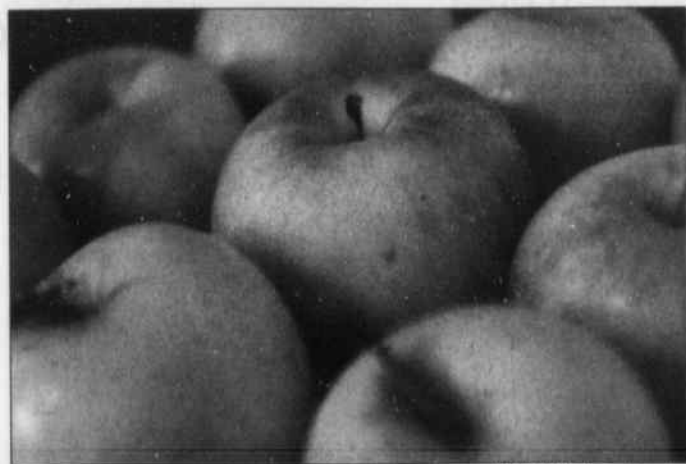
"They want to come back better," she said.

There is a fee for participation on the trip. Junior Justin Broughman, the student co-leader, said the cost to go on the trip is \$444 per volunteer, but donations and fundraising are expected to bring the cost down to about \$175.

Their major fundraising project was selling JMU wristbands. The purple and gold wristbands cost \$4, and were on sale during Homecoming. The group also received a donation of tools from the Harrisonburg Lowe's, which helps compensate for the shortage of volunteer tools in New Orleans, Slade said.

The volunteer turnout for the trip was so great Slade had to stop

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AMY CHALMERS/contributing photographer

Dining Services, in conjunction with the SGA, is partnering with Turkey Knob Orchard as part of its effort to serve more environmentally-friendly foods.

Organic apples make D-hall debut

BY VIVIAN YUN
contributing writer

JMU Dining Services and SGA are in the process of building a partnership with Bowman's Turkey Knob Orchard in Timberville, Va. to purchase locally grown apples.

"JMU is trying to become greener and [Turkey Knob Orchard apples] are high-quality apples that are grown better," said Shari Kornblatt, chairwoman of the food dining services committee. "The apples are more environmentally friendly and the orchards try to avoid chemical and non-green methods."

The Dining Services management team and members of the SGA Food Committee visited the Turkey Knob Orchard on Oct. 22 where they picked apples and toured the packing plant to see how the fruit is washed, sorted and packaged for distribution. The apples from the orchard were delivered to D-Hall the next day and featured in the local and organic foods station in Café Roma.

"We have been working to build a partnership with

this specific orchard and appreciate their allowing us to tour their operation and have the experience of picking apples in their orchard," said Stephanie Hoshower, director of Dining Services.

For the past two years, Dining Services purchased apples from another Virginia orchard, but wanted to serve apples grown closer to Harrisonburg and build a long-term relationship with Turkey Knob.

President of Turkey Knob Orchards Jaime Williams said he is looking forward to working with JMU Dining Services.

"It's really nice to be a part of the community and get an opportunity," he said. "It's nice to have locally grown apples in a local community."

However, local apples are only in season from October through April. Hoshower said that during the off-season Dining Services purchases apples from Washington state.

Freshman Julie Kye is looking forward to eating the locally grown apples.

"They are probably fresher than before, which makes me curious now on how they taste," she said.

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POLICE LOG

BY SHELLEY NEEL/copy editor

Possession of stolen property

A JMU student was charged with possession of stolen property and unauthorized use of a parking permit in G Lot on Oct. 30 at 9:43 a.m..

Property damage

A JMU student reports \$250 worth of damage to the bumper of a vehicle in the Parking Deck on Oct. 29 at an unknown time.

Number of drunk in publics since Aug. 27: 34

CORRECTIONS

In the Nov. 5 issue of The Breeze in the article titled "Staph infection scare shakes Shenandoah Valley" the two types of strains of Staph infection were used interchangeably. Staphylococcus aureus is the general Staph infection and Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) is the new type presenting the danger. The majority of strains of Staph infections respond to Methicillin however this new strand, MRSA, does not.

Also in the Nov. 5 issue in the article "The Color of Love" Crystal Prigmore was misspelled as Crystal Prigmoa.

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JMU cadets win the war

ROTC brings home first place in this year's third Brigade Ranger Challenge



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JMU's ROTC Ranger Challenge group takes home first place in this year's third Brigade Ranger Challenge. For the first time in seven years, JMU beat out 18 other groups from Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania. The group has placed in the top three for the past couple of years.

BY ANTHONY M. BOOTZ
 contributing writer

The JMU ROTC Ranger Challenge group took first place in this year's third Brigade Ranger Challenge.

A total of 18 Ranger groups from the third Brigade Eastern Region (which includes universities from Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania) and a guest group from the U.S. Naval Academy, met at Fort A.P. Hill on Oct. 26 to compete.

"We've always placed in the top three the last couple of years," said Tyler Adams, the JMU Ranger Commander. "But it's the first year we've gotten first in seven years."

The University of West Virginia, last year's winner, was among the top contenders for the competition, cadet Chris Meadows said.

The competition began at 5 a.m. with the army physical fitness test (APFT), composed of two minutes of push-ups and sit-ups, a two-mile run and a gauntlet of trials testing accuracy, speed, efficiency and endurance in Ranger activities, Adams said. The day ended at 6 p.m. with a 10K road march in full gear,

weighing anywhere between 35 to 50 pounds.

JMU ROTC cadets placed first in the APFT, the orienteering and rope bridge contests, and the 10K road march, but fell short in the M-16 marksmanship and hand grenade challenges, Adams said.

"[The rope bridge] required a lot of teamwork," said Meadows, who was the first man of the team and responsible for tying the knot to hold the other seven members. "It was the competition we did best on as a whole."

Training for the competition began this semester, with Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays reserved to prepare. Adams said the cadets had a relatively short time to train compared to other schools, and some started a year in advance. Adams added that Ranger training is meant to produce better, well-rounded officers, not to win a competition.

Cadet Young Ethridge said that even though cadets goofed off during some of training, they came together for the challenge.

"Ranger Challenge is a pretty big deal for ROTC," he said. "Most of the time we're training up and Ranger Challenge is one of those chances we have for some recognition."

Winners of the this year's third Brigade Ranger Challenge:

Trey Lehman

William Fastenau

Eric Mangol

Samantha Muchmore

Christian Thompson

Chris Meadows

Mende Joe Wentzel

Young Ethridge

Benjamin Staats

Grayson Ballard

Gary Jacob

Oh deer! Student drivers at risk as whitetail population increases

BY ASHTON SMITH
 staff writer



JMU junior Tom Yannucci knows how unpredictable deer can be. "I was driving on the back roads in Harrisonburg... and the deer just ran out from one of the fields," he said. "Luckily I saw it and swerved. I didn't hit the deer and it ran off."

Whitetail deer have entered breeding season, giving students one more reason to be cautious while driving.

"It's a bad time of the year for deer and for drivers because they [the deer] are on the move," said Patty Ahmed Al-Jemel, a car insurance agent for LD&B Insurance Agency.

In 2005 Virginia ranked seventh in states with the highest number of crashes involving deer, according to Drive Smart Virginia, a nonprofit partnership founded by 85 percent of automobile insurance companies. According to a survey taken in 2005 by the Deer Management Plan, a plan created by the commonwealth to deal with deer increase, over four percent of Virginians had an accident involving a deer while driving or riding.

Although no definite data for the 2007-08 year has been released,

the Deer Management Plan for 2006 projected 43,453 deer-vehicle claims for all insurance companies in the commonwealth in 2006.

Deer-vehicle collisions can be costly. The management plan projected that the average cost of damage in 2003 was around \$2,530 per accident. The total costs for the combined year was around \$13 million.

"[If you hit a deer] you would make a comprehensive claim, not a collision claim," Ahmed Al-Jemel said.

While she said that this may be confusing, her company has not seen many JMU students so far this year. This could be due to the fact that the season begins Nov. 17 and lasts until the second week of January.

"Deer are migrating more towards cities, such as Harrisonburg, from West Virginia because of the lack of food there," Ahmed Al-Jemel said.

With deer vehicle collisions occurring more frequently, Drive Smart Virginia warns everyone to be more alert while driving, especially during the early morning and around dusk.

Sometimes you can do everything right and still wind up with vehicle damage.

"I was driving and at least three deer jumped out in front of me," junior Kristin Otte said. "I missed them all, but then I heard a boom and a deer had run into my car."



JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

David Orr to promote green campus tonight

The Visiting Scholars Program will feature a presentation by David Orr, a Paul Sears Distinguished Professor of Environmental Studies and Politics, tonight. Orr will present "Design on the Edge: Making of a Green Campus," in the Festival Highlands Room at 7 p.m.

5K and Relay for Life sign-ups online

Kappa Alpha is hosting its fourth annual 5K for the American Cancer Society and Relay for Life on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The race will start at Festival. To sign up online or make a donation visit orgs.jmu.edu/kappaalpha/Race07/Intro.html.

Asian Student Union to host culture show

The Asian Student Union will be hosting its ninth Annual Culture Show this Saturday from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Wilson Hall. There will be dancing, singing, music and fashion from traditional and modern Asian cultures. Contact jmu.asu@gmail.com with any questions.

EMU creates "Writers Read" program

The language and literature department at EMU is hosting Wayne Johnston, chair in creative writing at Hollins University, at its second "Writers Read" program this semester. Reservations must be made by noon on Nov. 23 by calling the language and literature department at 540-432-4168.

Team places third in defense challenge

A Virginia Tech team placed third in the 2007 Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency Urban challenge Saturday. The team developed 2005 Ford Escape hybrid they nicknamed "Odin," created to advance the technology and safety of unmanned military vehicles.

Mary Washington Eagle Pipe Band takes first place

The UMW Eagle Pipe Band took first place at the Grade V pipe band competition during the Richmond Highland Games and Celtic Festival on Saturday, Oct. 27. The band, composed of students and alumni, was formed in 1996 under the direction of Raymond Scott, UMW professor of chemistry.

MANAGER: Troutman hopes to relieve tension between The Pub and Rocktown

MANAGER, from front
Rocktown: karaoke, which is a big draw for students and locals alike at The Pub during the week. However, Troutman is still in the developing stage with Rocktown.

"Right now, I've just been establishing a marketing plan and creating a visualization of upcoming events," he said.

Coe hopes Troutman's expertise both in running a restaurant and booking bands will bring more people to Rocktown during the week.

"We have a great venue," Coe said. "But we're under-

utilized."

As for Troutman's replacement, The Pub is still looking for someone to takeover.

"I'm leaving a great job opportunity," Troutman said. "They tried really hard to talk me into staying, but I need to rejuvenate my creativity. I needed a challenge. Basically, I've taken this place as far as I can take it."

Some believe that Troutman's move from The Pub to Rocktown may create bad blood between the establishments, but Troutman remains optimistic.

"Tensions have always been there," he said. "If anything, I think it will relieve the tension."

KATRINA: Volunteer goes on second relief trip

KATRINA, from front
adding names to the waiting list.

"JMU is a really great campus to talk about service," she said. "It's unique because of its student body."

Broughman, who is embarking on his second Katrina relief trip, said recovery will take time.

"At least another decade for New Orleans to witness the level of prosperity it once saw," he said.

Assuming no other hurricane comes through the city again, the

possibility of a Hurricane Katrina repeat doesn't dissuade Broughman from continuing the work.

"I don't believe in leaving people out to dry," Broughman said.

Still, the Ninth Ward's hazy future won't stop Slade and her army of volunteers.

"It's not my responsibility to decide if someone can rebuild their home," she said. "If they want to rebuild their house, we'll be there to help them."



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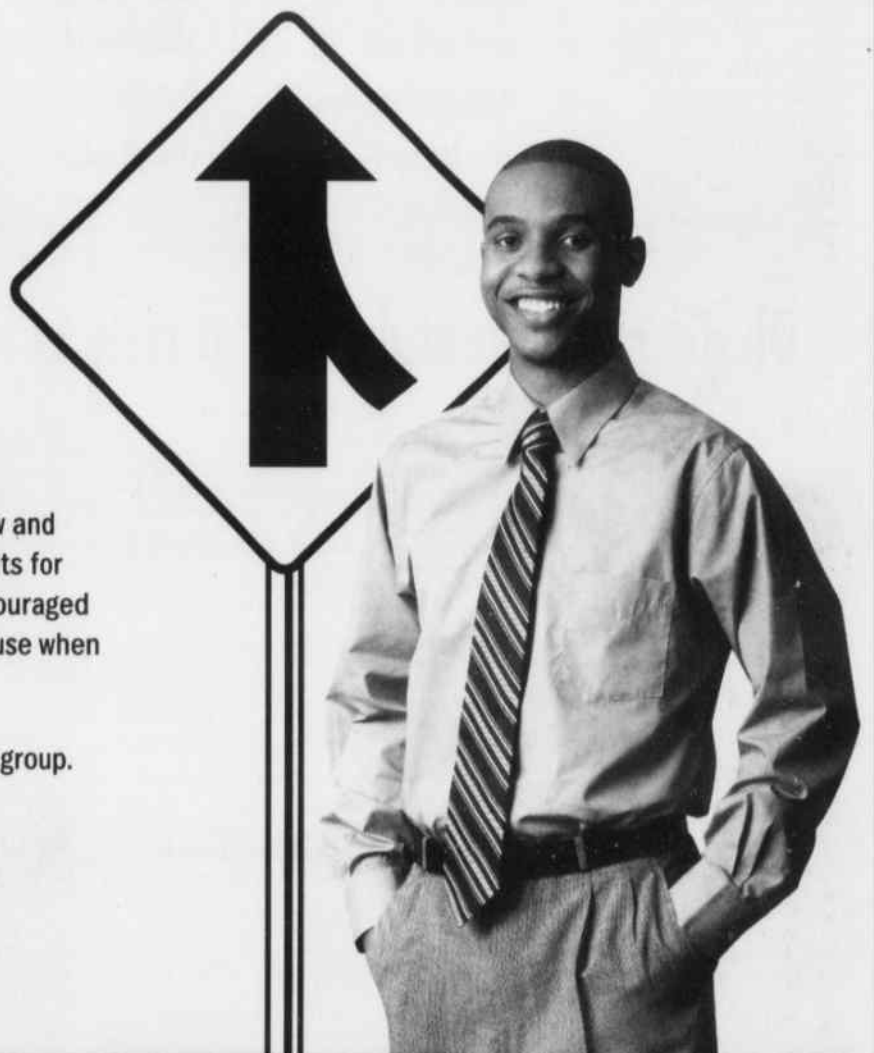


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Holiday allows us to see how valuable our soldiers are

This Sunday is Veterans Day, a time when our nation honors the approximately 24 million veterans who have served in our armed forces as well as those currently serving all over the world. These individuals and their selfless commitment to preserving our liberty are an inspiration to us all and represent the best of America.

America is, by far, the freest country in the world. Before our nation was founded, the concepts of religious freedom, free expression and limited government did not exist. At that time, most of the world's population lived at the mercy of the ruling monarchs of their countries and could lose their homes, their families or their lives simply for angering their leaders. Of course, as societies have evolved, most countries have followed the example set by America and formed democracies of their own.

However, millions of people all over the world still suffer from oppression. In Middle East countries, China, Russia, Venezuela, North Korea, Myanmar and many other countries, citizens continue to live at the mercy of their government. Corrupt tyrants rule their nations with violence, hatred and fear. In the forms of communism, fascism and religious fanaticism, these governments continue to deny their citizens basic human rights while demanding unquestioned obedience and conformity.

But while these people suffer, we in America take our freedom for granted every day. We have grown so accustomed to the many privileges that American citizenship provides that we often don't take the time to reflect on just how fortunate we are to live in a country where we are free to follow our dreams and openly protest against our government without fear of imprisonment or execution.

America was never given this freedom; our nation had to earn it on the battlefield. Throughout our history, American soldiers have fought against tyranny all over the world to gain and maintain the rights that we hold dear. We are free today because of past generations of Americans who gave up everything they had to fight for what they believe in.

To defend our freedom, ordinary people have made extraordinary sacrifices. They leave behind friends, parents, children and spouses to travel to faraway lands to fight for a better tomorrow for America's future generations. These brave men and women are willing to make these sacrifices because they know that freedom has a high price and that even though it is difficult to gain, it can very easily be taken away. As Ronald Reagan put it, "freedom is never more than one generation from extinction."

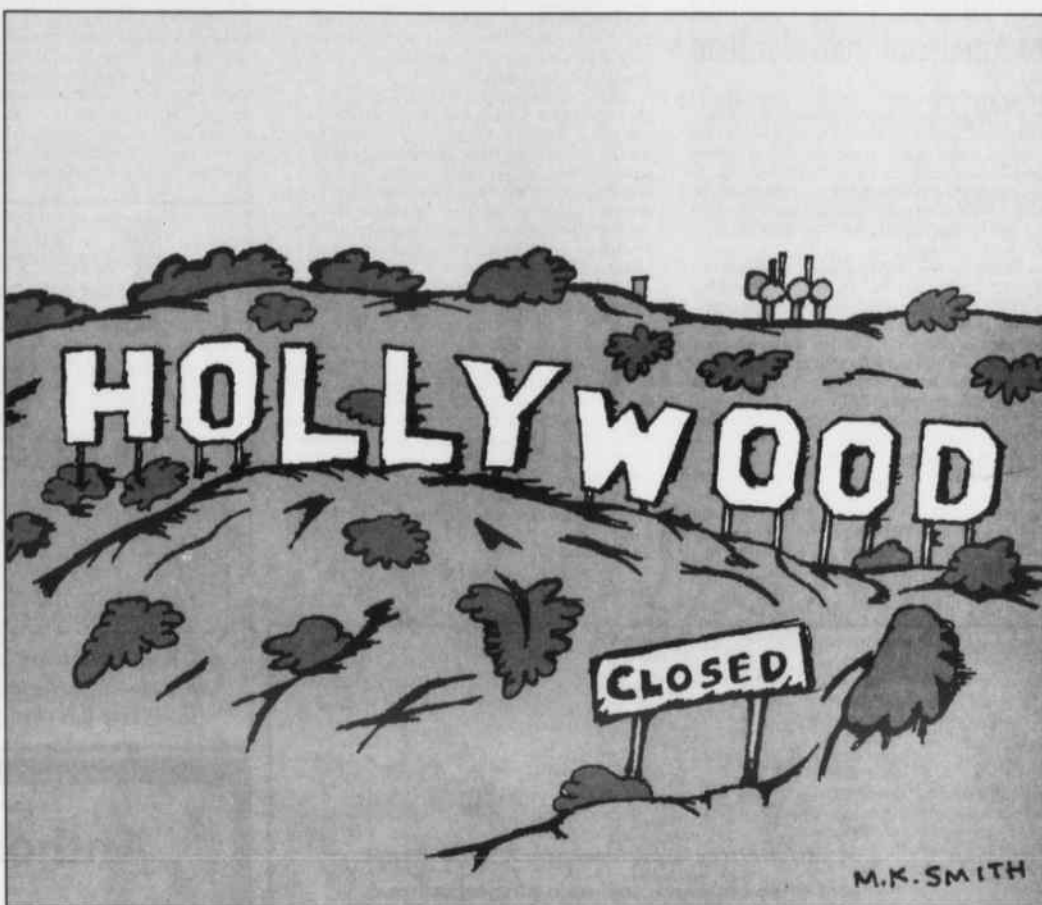
American soldiers have braved the bitter cold of Valley Forge and the sweltering heat in Iraq. They've fought on the blood-soaked battlefields of Antietam and Gettysburg, on the beaches of Normandy and in the damp trenches in France, the thick jungles of Vietnam, the Korean peninsula and multiple islands in the Pacific all for a cause greater than themselves.

In their fight against oppression, our soldiers have liberated untold millions across the globe and continue to protect them as well as us. They are stationed all over the world, providing support to all free nations while they work to help spread the light of liberty to people who have spent their whole lives in darkness. Time after time, they prove former Sen. Zell Miller to be correct when he said that "never in the history of the world has anyone sacrificed more for the freedom and liberty of total strangers than the American soldier."

This Sunday, when our nation honors its soldiers and mourns those who have lost their lives in combat, we should all set aside some time to say a prayer and thank God for the men and women who are willing to put their lives on the line to keep the world safe for democracy so that we can continue to live free. They are America's heroes and they deserve our gratitude.

Tony Spadaccia freshman political science and business management major.

House Editorial



War of the words

This week, we said "goodbye" to Jay Leno, David Letterman and Jon Stewart. Next month, we'll have to find other mid-day entertainment as soap operas come to a halt. Early next year, we'll watch as the doctors of "Grey's Anatomy" and employees of the "The Office" leave the airwaves.

This is the result of the Writers Guild of America strike that has currently stopped production on television series, as well as late-night comedy talk shows.

The WGA is in negotiations with the Alliance of Motion Picture & Television Producers to increase the percentage writers get from DVD sales and granting guild jurisdiction over Internet downloads. Currently, the WGA is operating under terms set up in 1988, way before DVDs and the Internet. The WGA's contract with AMPTP ran out Oct. 31.

The strike officially kicked off at 12:01 a.m. Monday after failed last-minute negotiations with the AMPTP, bringing a dark cloud over Hollywood.

Writers will spend their days picketing in key locations in New York City and Los Angeles until an agreement is met. However, networks aren't ready to budge, claiming they are in this for the long haul.

The writers are just as persistent. Head writers for the television shows have signed a pledge that states, "Pencils down means pencils down." That means they won't be generating new ideas or writing any new scripts until a deal with the AMPTP is reached.

...let's cross our fingers that the AMPTP will cave and give writers what they deserve.

What does this mean for viewers?

Recently, late-night comedy and talk shows have gone into repeats. In about a month, the scripts for soap operas will run out. Finally, scripted primetime shows such as "The Office" and "Grey's Anatomy" will either go into repeats or be replaced by mid-season shows that have been back-piled in

anticipation of a strike.

Besides mediocre mid-season replacements and news programs, we'll all be seeing an increase in—wait for it—reality shows. Since these shows are cheap and don't require written scripts, networks are relying on these shows to carry them through the strike.

The AMPTP is being stubborn and cheap, following antiquated guidelines that outdate modern technology. While they hope to save a few bucks by not paying writers what they deserve, they are screwing themselves over. The last WGA strike occurred in 1988, lasted five-and-a-half months and cost the industry \$500 million, according to the Associated Press.

In a time where media piracy is hitting the industry hard, is the loss of hundreds of millions of dollars because of a strike worth it to the AMPTP?

So as our favorite TV writers continue to picket outside Rockefeller Center and around Hollywood, let's cross our fingers that the AMPTP will cave and give writers what they deserve.

Otherwise, this winter will be a lonely one, filled with re-runs, Flavor Flav and "Wife Swap."

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A "you're-hurting-yourself" dart to police for busting our non-alcoholic Halloween party, which in turn sent underage students to another party that did have alcohol.

From a house of senior girls who thought they were doing everyone a favor by helping to decrease underage drinking.

A "way-to-market-Madison" dart to the student ambassador who told her tour group that Festival is a great place to watch the sun rise as you eat breakfast.

From a freshman that is almost positive the sun still rises in the east, while Festival faces the west.

A "thank-you-for-supplying-my-weekly-dose-of-sarcasm" pat to everyone who submits darts and pats.

From a high school sophomore who is sincerely glad that her alumni parents have a subscription to The Breeze.

A "toilet-paper-should-always-be-in-supply" dart to the housekeeping crew in Burruss Hall.

From a sophomore who spent the wee hours of the night programming, then realized that all he could do was wee in the bathroom.

A "why-can't-we-share-this?" dart to both the students and alumni for claiming the Centennial Homecoming as their own.

From a group of students who thinks that our Centennial Homecoming should be shared and enjoyed by everyone, not just half of the JMU community.

A "the-world-is-finally-starting-to-become-a-better-place" pat to Greenberry's, for providing a delicious alternative to the corporate monster that is Starbucks.

From an overjoyed senior patron who is more than willing to come in to all of your smiling faces.

An "I'm-ready-to-be-mean" dart to the girls in the suite near me, who think their attempts at singing "Ready to Make Nice" by the Dixie Chicks improves at 2:30 a.m..

From your neighbor who suggests you don't try out for "American Idol."

A "you-have-the-greatest-lung-capacity-I've-ever-seen" pat to my roommates and department buddies who blew up more than 1,000 balloons to fill my bathroom, bedroom, and closet.

From your surprised roommate and friend who loves all of you.

Through the Looking Glass | SARAH DELIA, senior writer

Karma Police

The Westboro Baptist Church family finally gets theirs with an \$11 million lawsuit from a mourning family

We live in a country where it is becoming essential to include in our state constitutions that protesting during the funerals of fallen American soldiers, died from AIDS or who are gay is an illegal act. One would think that having some common decency or respect for a person's right to mourn a loved one would prohibit such insufferable and tasteless acts of hate.

However, people like Fred Phelps, leader of the evangelist and far right Westboro Church, find it not only their duty to disrupt and ruin the memory of deceased individuals whose funerals they protest, but they actually believe that they are doing "God's bidding"—although whose God they're referring to I'm not sure. My God never once tapped me on the shoulder and told me it was appropriate to write hateful messages on posters and scream obscenities at the top of my lungs at someone's family as they try to say goodbye to their loved one.

In March 2006, Phelps and members of the Westboro Baptist Church protested what was supposed to be a private funeral for Matthew Snyder, an American soldier that was killed while serving in Iraq. Phelps and his church members believe that God is pun-

ishing America because of the war in Iraq; therefore, dead soldiers should not be honored.

Matthew's father, Albert Snyder, took action against the church and had much reason to celebrate on Oct. 31. Snyder successfully sued the Westboro Church and was awarded nearly \$11 million by a Maryland Federal Court for invasion of privacy, punitive damages and emotional distress on the Snyder family. According to CNN online, Phelps and his two daughters who help lead the church were "found liable for invasion of privacy and intent to inflict emotional distress."

While the court was in session, Phelps, along with his followers, protested outside of the federal courthouse holding their infamous signs that read "God is your enemy" and "God hates fags." CNN also reported that members of the church sang "God Hates America," using the familiar tune of "God Bless America" by substituting "bless" for "hate."

Visiting the Westboro Baptist Church's Web site always sends chills down my spine and almost makes me physically ill. Yet to do the proper research for this article and the two previous I have written about Phelps, concerning the funerals of Virginia Tech stu-

dents and the death of Matthew Shepherd, I find it necessary to revisit the horrific images of children holding "Fag Troop" signs to reaffirm that I am not in fact seeing things.

I am sure that likelihood of a five-year-old child comprehending what the word "fag" means is equivalent to God's burning desire for the Westboro church to hold their "demonstrations" outside of funerals. I can't decide which I find more disgusting: the young child who does not know any better than to hold a sign with such a hateful message, or the picture of an elderly woman who should know better propping up a poster that states "God is America's Terror."

Browsing through Phelps' Web site, not much has changed. Funeral protests are still posted with detailed directions for members to follow. Biblical passages are quoted around the site, and the count of Matthew Shepherd's days spent in hell continues to increase.

Still, I see no hint of embarrassment or even an announcement of the \$11 million the church owes the Snyder family—I thought they would surely have a message from God asking people to pay up by now.

Sarah Delia is a junior English and art history major.

Off the Wire | NATE BALKO, Daily Evergreen

Guess what? The world doesn't revolve around you after all

College life is the epitome of American individualism

In Western cultures and in American in particular, rampant individualism is the norm. Influenced by the ideological foundations of our country, many of us embrace the idea of looking out almost exclusively for our best interests. Doing so brings us a strong feeling of independence, and at least some reasonable degree of freedom. Yet we have to consider what the effect such thinking has on others.

College is one of the strongest examples of American individualism. As some of the privileged few in society who even have the opportunity to go to college, many students do all they can not to squander it. This can result in a blatant disregard for others, or be seen in the one-track mind of those who want to get out of here as fast as possible, no matter what it takes.

Many take classes not for the ideal of expanding their minds, but rather to ensure they don't have to get up before 10, or to ensure they can come away with an A. Some may choose majors based not on the level of interest or passion they have for the subject, but with the idea of maximizing potential earnings after college. Community service or charitable efforts may be seen by as resume builders, or grad school necessities—not simply altruistic endeavors.

Consider relationships in college. Often, we view college as our time to "experiment," or find out what we want in life from our future partner. It is justifiable in many circles to date many people for short periods of time because, after all, you are just "in college."

What we are really telling each other is that our partners are not worth the sacrifice of our own freedom. Latching on to someone for four or five months (the "honeymoon" phase), when neither partner can do wrong, is almost effortless. But when things aren't so smooth, a decision has to be made to either jump ship or try to work things out. Many choose to move on, because it is much easier to reignite the same phase with a new partner.

It is questionable though, how our practice of relationships leads to us "growing" as adults. We never learn to face our problems and deal with the tough times. We learn it is easiest to leave the situation.

What about those in long-term relationships? It's easy to get comfortable, to the point where one (or both) partners aren't doing much for each other. This can be just as bad as leaving; the partners are acting in their own self-interests, choosing to ignore the problems at hand and letting things get worse. Rather than talking about the problems in the relationship, taking "me" time or simply going out and hanging out with friends is a lot more fun and easier.

We can also look at friendships in college. How many of our friends are true "friends" and

how many are simply acquaintances or "drinking buddies?" It is surely a lot easier to associate yourself with 300 people on Facebook than it is to foster good friendships with a select few that will carry on after college.

We have all struggled with the sometimes blatantly selfish intentions of our actions. I have struggled all my life with it, but the first step to improvement is acknowledging the problem exists.

We have to recognize the "self-made person" is valued to the point of blinding us to the real-

ity of the situation. None of us would be who we are today without our parents, partners, friends and professors. Acknowledging this, we should make the effort to thank them, cherish the times with them and simply give them the time of day. Even as our lives move at an ever-more-frenetic pace, we owe it to all those around us to give a little bit more of ourselves. Don't wait until it is too late.

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Joel Adam Gerlach and Lauren Meyer play Rochester and Jane Eyre, respectively, in the stage adaptation of the classic British novel.

CRAIG HUTSON/staff photographer

JUST JANE

'Jane Eyre' takes the Latimer-Schaeffer stage this week

LINDSAY CASALE & AARON STEWART
contributing writer and senior writer

The cast of Jane Eyre illuminated the stage with fierce but controlled emotion, perfectly suited to Polly Teale's script.

The adaptation of the classic Charlotte Brontë novel takes place in Latimer-Schaeffer Theatre all this week. The play was first performed by London's Shared Experience Company in 1997. It's continuous popularity throughout the decade is well-deserved.

The adaptation is full of both traditional and unconventional characteristics, exhibited in the simple, Victorian set as well as in the somewhat unorthodox musical underscoring. Cellist Grisha Kramer appeared onstage with the actors during several scenes of the play.

The cast of JMU's production was visibly strong, with five out of eight cast members playing two or more roles with ease. Notable was junior Julie Schroll's bubbly French novice Adele. Junior Lash Dooley's composed transition from a clergyman to a household pet, spurred the crowd to laughter as Rochester's dog, Pilot.

Sophomore Ali Hoxie proved capable in the challenging role of Bertha, which required animated body language over dialogue. She remained engaging and dynamic despite her limited opportunities for verbal expression throughout the play.

Senior Lauren Meyer played the title role of Jane Eyre, and did her best to convey the complexities that Teale strove to demonstrate to the audience through her script. Senior Joel Adam Gerlach's Rochester straddled a fine line between jovial and deeply troubled, a combination that was unsettling at times.

Straying from the original Brontë novel, Teale explores a complex connection between Bertha and Jane Eyre. Bertha plays the character that Jane cannot be: assertive, decisive and vengeful. Her role is so beautifully incorporated that you are never sure if she's a real character, or just figment of Jane's imagination.

Overall, the small, seemingly tight-knit cast pulled together to expose an interesting and thought-provoking adaptation of a popular novel that is often taken at facevalue. Polly Teale's "Jane Eyre" is an example of the underlying stories that can unravel from the texts we think we know best, if we'd only dig a little deeper.

Fashion show, music to help cancer charity

Blame It On the Train runs Future Fashion Show Friday

BY BRITTANY WILSON
contributing writer

Fashion, music and dance will fuse together for one big event this Friday: the Future Fashion Show. This event is being produced by the student-run organization Blame It On the Train. The organization aims to bring new and fresh music to the Harrisonburg area.

The JMU Fashion Design team is co-sponsoring the event and putting on their first fall fashion show. The fashion show will feature three different collections including an urban line, cocktail dress and a pink and white themed line. The urban line will consist of a more "street" look with a classy edge, while the cocktail line will display a more dressy collection of clothing. The pink and white themed line will consist of all different types of clothes. The reason the pink and white color scheme was chosen is because all proceeds from the event will go to the Susan G. Komen organization.

All of clothing from these collections have been donated from various stores in the Valley Mall and put together by members of the JMU Fashion Design Team. Some of the members even designed certain pieces themselves.

"The best part of the show is that the clothes you are going to see on the models aren't going to be thousands of dollars," said junior Stephanie Weber, a model and member of the fashion club. "You can actual go buy what you see at the local mall."

The clothes have been loaned to the club from stores such as DEB, Rue 21, Maurice's and Belk's. Private designer, Los Banditos, is giving them some pieces and allowing them to use its logo.

"We want to get our name out there and bring a lot of different kinds of people together to have fun," said junior Jasmine Banks, vice-president of the Fashion Club.

Jasmine credits their president, Laura Robertson, for working hard to make this fashion show successful.

Not only will there be fashion at the event, but there will also be music. Blame It On the Train is bringing in musical group Future. Future is a hip-hop/experimental/blues group from Virginia who will be performing at the event. They will perform during, and after the fashion show. To learn more about Future go to Blame It On the Train's Web site blameitonthetrain.org.

Other groups that will be taking the stage at the event are the Mosaic Dance Club and the JMU Breakdance Club.

The Future Fashion Show will take place at Rocktown Grill. Doors open at 7 p.m. and there will be a \$10 cover charge that will include all the performances, the fashion show and free appetizers from 7:30-8:30. For those who are 21 or over, the bar will be open during the event.

Future Fashion Show

Friday

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Parachute Musical brings blend of jazz, Latin, rock to TDU

Band stops by Harrisonburg on its first official tour of U.S.

BY JESS NOVAK
senior writer

Parachute Musical is a rock version of a fairy tale. After break-ups, constant member changes and disenchantment with the reality of the music business, a pivotal moment and a strange twist of fate in singer, songwriter and pianist, Josh Foster's life changed the future of the group. Parachute Musical will be visiting Harrisonburg and the JMU campus today and can be heard on WXJL, 88.7FM for an interview at 5 p.m. and seen at TDU at 10 p.m.

Promotion for their new album *Everything is Working out Fine in Some Town* is what brings the piano rock quartet to Harrisonburg. Starting last night the group, Josh Foster, Tom Gilbert, Kyle Cornett and Ben Jacoby began their fall tour in Knoxville, Tenn. The guys will travel all over the south including Virginia, Florida and Alabama.

"This is our first real tour," Foster said. "We never toured with the first album because members were involved in another group and coordinating between two bands is impossible."

Parachute Musical released its first self-titled album in 2003 with current members Gilbert, Jacoby and Foster. However, after struggling with the DC music scene, Foster was left to salvage the band on his own but became disappointed with the direction his band and life were headed.

"I got a sales job with great pay and all," Foster said. "I gave up on music."

As a result of witnessing a great live show, Foster decided to fly to Nashville, Tenn the following morning to meet up with his long-time friend from middle school and former band mate Tom. As Josh was arriving, Ben, another former band mate who had been visiting Nashville the week prior, was departing. It was "like fate."

Since reuniting and recruiting bassist Kyle

Cornett, Parachute Musical has been improving musically, culminating in the release of its sophomore album, due out early next year.

"On this album our voice is really spoken," Foster said. "It defines us and I think the comparisons will stop."

Though the band is a blend of jazz, Latin, rock and ballads driven by piano melodies, Parachute Musical has still managed to be compared to and grouped with prestigious artists, including Stevie Wonder. Foster still recalls the day Parachute Musical was called a group with "a tinge of Stevie Wonder white-boy soul" by The Nashville Scene, a weekly local newspaper.

Among others, Parachute Musical is often compared to the fellow pop-rock piano-driven group Ben Folds Five, though Foster fails to see many similarities beyond a piano and curly brown hair.

However, the group's upcoming release stands out because of more than it's ability to integrate mix of many genres into a single album. The emotional and intimate lyrics, written by Foster, recall a personal account of the past two years of his life. Issues ranging from sickness and alcoholism to broken families and engage-

ments are approached through the 10-song full-length album.

"I can't write make-believe stories in my songs," Foster said. "I need to write and play songs that mean something. It's my release."

The next goal of the busy quartet is to make their way onto festival rosters including the annual CMJ Music Marathon and Film Festival and the South by Southwest Festival Conference as well as onto an independent label.

"Labels can't do much for artists anymore," Foster said. "But they can help place artists on tours with other similar, great bands."

In the future, Parachute Musical hopes to tour more extensively with other independent acts, hopefully expanding their audience and reaching fan bases already forming as far north as Canada.

With the Green Day cover band Matt and the Blacktones, members of Richmond-based, and Harrisonburg-loved Murphy's Kids, opening the show. For Parachute Monkey, the free TDU show will bring in fans in the Harrisonburg area.

For more on Parachute Musical check out their MySpace at myspace.com/parachutemusical.

Parachute Musical

Tonight

WXJL at 5 p.m.
Taylor Down
Under at 10 p.m.

THURSDAY: Documentary Film and Discussion

Grafton-Stovall Theatre will have a free showing of "Divided We Fall: Americans in the Aftermath," a feature-length documentary on hate violence in the aftermath of 9/11 at 6:30 p.m. After the video, the filmmakers film-makers Valarie Kaur and Sharat Raju, will participate in a question-and-answer session. The event is sponsored by CMSS.

THURSDAY: Poetry Reading and Concert



"The Ringing Ear Tour: Black Poets Lean South" features literary activist E. Ethelbert Miller, Associate Professor Hermine Pinson of the College of William and Mary, and Remica L. Bingham, author of "Conversion" and winner of the 2006 Naomi Long Madgett Poetry Award. The Contemporary Gospel Singers will also perform at the show. This free event will be held in the War Memorial Auditorium in Memorial Hall at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY: Comedy Time at Wilson Hall

"Bob Dubac's The Male Intellect: An Oxymoron?" features actor/writer Robert Dubac in the multi-character comedy as he ransacks his brain to answer the age-old question: What do women want? Tickets can be purchased at the Masterpiece Box Office in Harrison Hall for \$10, \$18 and \$20. The show is at 7:30 p.m.



SUNDAY: Veterans Day Parade

Harrisonburg's annual downtown parade to celebrate Veterans Day will be at 2 p.m. Immediately following the parade, a special Veterans Day ceremony will take place at 3 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Stadium where Linwood H. Rose joins mayor Rodney Eagle in honor of service men and women.



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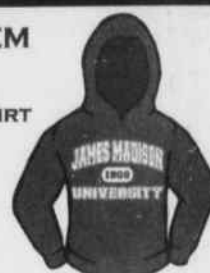
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Chasing the CAA championship

Lombardo's 300th win sends JMU to semifinals

BY MATTHEW MCGOVERN
assistant sports editor

Madison women's soccer earned a trip to Virginia Beach for the Colonial Athletic Association tournament semifinals, and senior forward Annie Lowry scored her 28th career goal as JMU beat George Mason 2-1 on Tuesday.

With coach Dave Lombardo's 300th career win, Madison (16-3-1 overall, 8-2-1 in the conference) improved to 12-0 at home this season and rebounded from a 3-0 loss at Virginia Commonwealth in the Dukes' last regular season game.

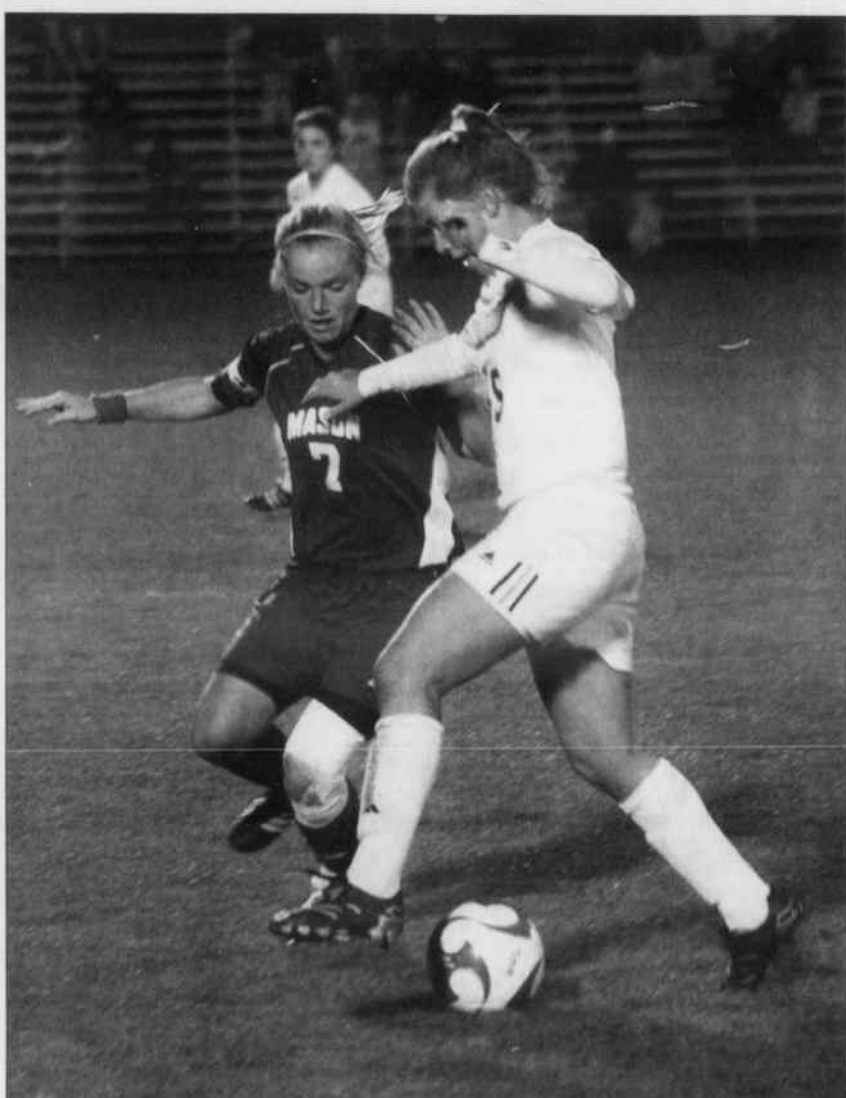
"We've been struggling a little bit offensively the last few games, and we were without a couple of players [today] — Caitlin Walko was sitting on a red card — but the kids stepped up and played," Lombardo said.

William & Mary and Hofstra, the top two seeds in the six-team tournament, got first-round byes. Madison stumbled its way to a third-place finish in the conference by losing two out of its last four CAA games. As the No. 3-seed in the tournament, JMU never trailed No. 6-seed GMU.

The Dukes got on the board first in the 61st minute when freshman midfielder Teresa Rynier sent a ball upfield to Lowry, who raced past the George Mason defense and beat senior goalkeeper Kasey Davenport from 10 yards out. The goal put Lowry in a tie for seventh-place on JMU's career goalscored list.

Rynier and senior defender Laura Hertz were active in the transition game, as Madison out-shot Mason 13-12. While Hertz energized the offense by joining fast breaks, four of JMU's substitution players were either forwards or midfielders, and Madison used them to spark scoring opportunities throughout the game.

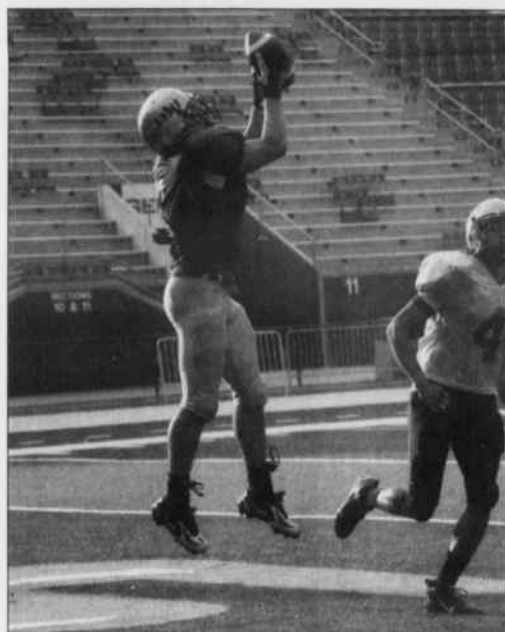
"Sometimes when you sub you catch the other team off-guard," Lowry said. "We're finally gettin' back on the ball, playing the offense that we can but



James Madison freshman midfielder Teresa Rynier eludes George Mason senior midfielder L.J. Williams on Tuesday. Rynier had two assists.

CRAG HUTSON/staff photographer

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JESSICA LIGHT/staff photographer

Wide receiver Patrick Ward catches a ball in practice. The junior has struggled with a shoulder injury this season and didn't travel to Delaware on Saturday.

Go to thebreeze.org for Ryan Kerr's fantasy football report

Madison needs win

Dukes can't come home empty handed from W&M

BY TIM CHAPMAN
sports editor

Three weeks ago JMU football was on a six-game win streak, in the Football Championship Subdivision top-10 and looking primed for a second straight NCAA playoff appearance.

Playing at William & Mary (4-5 overall, 2-4 in the Colonial Athletic Association) seemed like a distant afterthought on the way to a possible conference championship.

Fast-forward to today — the Dukes (6-3 overall, 4-2 in the Colonial Athletic Association) find themselves in a predicament, coming off two straight losses to conference opponents, Richmond and Delaware. The Tribe is now much more than an afterthought, as JMU would likely need to win its last two contests to earn an at-large berth — the final game is at home against Towson, Nov. 17.

"We're looking at this as our first playoff game," JMU coach Mickey Matthews said Monday in his press conference. "We have to win-out, but it depends how it goes, there's a lot of football left to be played in our league this year."

As one of the top-ranked conferences in the FCS (Formerly Division I-AA), the

CAA tends to receive more at-large bids than other leagues and saw four teams in the 2006 field of 16.

If Delaware (8-1, 5-1) wins Saturday against Richmond (7-2, 5-1), they will secure the South Division title.

But if either team loses its final two games, it would have three conference losses, giving the Dukes second place in the South, providing JMU won its final two.

Massachusetts (7-2, 5-1) currently sits atop the North Division and finishes with two teams in New Hampshire (6-3, 3-3) and Hofstra (7-2, 5-1) that still have realistic playoff aspirations.

"From our standpoint we need to win and win decisively," JMU senior defensive tackle John Baranowsky said. "We're getting ready for William & Mary this week like it's basically playoffs. We need to start new, win out and win big."

The assumption is that no team with three conference losses is likely to receive a bid. JMU's first loss came Sept. 1 to BCS opponent, North Carolina; a game that Delaware coach K.C. Keeler doesn't expect to hurt Madison's chances.

"The North Carolina game doesn't count at all," Keeler said. "If we're gonna play [BCS] games they only count if you win because they did play at North Carolina. I don't see any sense in those games counting against you."

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Yeah...I said it.

TIM CHAPMAN, sports editor

Can transfer Jalloh fix Dukes' problems?

2004-05: 6-22 + '05-06: 5-23 + '06-07: 7-23 = 18-68 record in the Dean Keener coaching era.

At this point in JMU's recent history, Friday's season opener against the Siena Saints could simply be a game of pride for the men's basketball team.

But the Dukes aren't treating this season as an attempt to just salvage Keener's regime.

The Colonial Athletic Association coaches have slated the Dukes as the seventh-best team in the preseason poll despite three straight seasons of finishing no higher than eleventh in the twelve-team league.

A win or loss in this first game isn't likely to be a strong indicator of whether or not Madison will meet or exceed the expectation, but how they play should speak volumes.

"You never feel that you're 100 percent ready, but I probably feel as good this year as at any time because of the experience and depth that we have."

Keener said Monday at his press conference. "And also the trip to Spain, having practiced 10 days in August and having the opportunity to play five games overseas."

Much of the experience and depth will come from three transfers that Keener and his staff attracted to Harrisonburg in 2006. For the first time junior guard Abdulai Jalloh, sophomore forward Dazzmond Thornton and senior forward Terrence Carter will take the court together.

Jalloh is the much-publicized transfer from St. Joseph's who in his sophomore season led the Hawks in scoring and rebounding on his way to earning second-team All-Atlantic 10 honors. Jalloh played against Carter in high school, creating a bond that also helped Keener snag both Maryland natives.

Thornton transferred after his freshman year with three-time National Championship coach, Bobby Knight, at Texas Tech. The 6-foot, 7-inch forward was lured to JMU with the help of sophomore Pierre Curtis, whom he played with at East High School in Denver.

Carter, who was recently voted by the team as captain, joined the Dukes after two years at Southeastern (Iowa) Community College. Because he didn't transfer from another Division I program Carter was permitted to play last season and started in all but four of JMU's 30 games. At 6-foot-5 Carter is a versatile forward with the ability to play with his back to the basket as well as shoot from the perimeter. Carter was second on the team in scoring last season with 12.8 points per game, only behind junior forward Juwann James.

"Terrence was voted by his teammates and it's very deserving on a lot of levels," Keener said. "He was the clear choice and I don't think anybody was within six votes, that gives us a person who has pinpoint responsibility."

The new additions will likely open up the offense for James, whom after garnering the CAA Rookie of the Year honor in 2005-06 season, became the recipient of unwelcomed double-teaming throughout 2006-07.

"I'm not really worried about my offensive skills, but just with the guys we have now I'm gonna be able to get open and get the shots I need," James said.

The Dukes know what James can do in the current system, but it is Jalloh, deemed the "savior" of JMU basketball by local media, who could be the one piece to the puzzle Keener inherited.

"Let me say that the one word that I hate more than anything else is savior," Keener said. "In my humble opinion there is one savior and I try to talk to him each night before I go to bed and when I get up in the morning."

Keener's ability to talk to the ultra-competitive Jalloh and get him to mesh with a team not used to having a player of his caliber could actually save his job.

Jalloh scored a career-high 30 points in a game against Ohio State as a sophomore under coach Phil Martelli, a scoring total JMU

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'BARO' BREAKS IT DOWN

BY JOHN BARANOWSKY
athletic correspondent

Coming off a heartbreaker to Richmond is tough, but having to go and play Delaware on the road is on another level.

We were ready for the challenge and all week we really practiced well and got back to the basics. The overall morale of the team was very high and very confident and I think we definitely displayed that during the game. I can honestly say that we played our hearts out in all three phases of the game and at the end of the game it just wasn't enough. I give [Delaware] a lot of credit, but I think everyone on that team knows that we can be better.

The running game had flashes of dominance thanks to the o-line, which is anchored by Scott Lemn, Vernon Eason, Dorian Brooks, Terrence Apted and Theo Sherman. Antoine [Bolton] and the gang ran hard all day long and our pass rush

was constantly bringing heat. We are still a little banged up with L.C. [Baker] and Mike Cussin being out on offense and Darrius Ramsey out on defense. But when they get healthy, they'll be rested and ready to make big plays.

The last two weeks have really been tough for my fellow Dukes and I, although I am still very optimistic for how the rest of the season looks. The truth of the matter is that we have two games left against teams that we should beat. We need to win these games and we need to win impressively which we will. I think that Coach Matthews said it best: "The playoffs have already started for us."

The entire team has bought into that motto and it is easy to see that everyone is ready to do whatever it takes to continue this season all the way to Chattanooga. So Irish up that coffee and whack your thunder sticks, because the Dukes are ready to start rolling.

John Baranowsky is a senior economics major and starting defensive tackle.



NCAA 16-team field announced Tuesday

JMU draws Duke for second straight year

James Madison (18-3 overall, 7-1 in the Colonial Athletic Association) will play against Duke on Saturday in the first round of the NCAA Division I Field Hockey Championship. Madison travels to Chapel Hill for a 2 p.m. match against the Blue Devils, who defeated JMU in the first round of the NAAs in 2006.

Duke (11-8, 1-4) qualified for the tournament despite its losing conference record. The Blue Devils play in the Atlantic Coast Conference, which has five teams in the NCAA tournament. The Colonial Athletic Association qualified just two teams, JMU and Old Dominion.

—from staff reports

James Madison's quarter of the NCAA Field Hockey Championship bracket

First Round Nov. 10	Second Round Nov. 11
North Carolina	
Stanford (13-7)	11 a.m.
James Madison	2 p.m.
Duke (11-8)	2 p.m.

SOCCER: Women advance

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the keeper made a lot of good saves."

Davenport had seven saves, while JMU's red-shirt freshman goalie Stephanie Poucher had three. Madison's defense held Mason to one goal despite the absence of starting sophomore defender Caitlin Walko. She was suspended because of the red card she received at VCU.

Madison had 12 of its 13 shots in the second half and scored its second goal when Rynier made a defensive stop near midfield and pushed the ball for a fast break in the 74th minute. She passed the ball to freshman forward Cate Tisinger on the left side of the field, who sent in a cross that junior forward Megan Deaver knocked in from 3 yards out.

Madison sophomore forward Jess Remmes was knocked down twice inside the box in the first 15 minutes without being rewarded a call. "It was a

physical game, but I think we reacted a lot better than we did last game," Remmes said. "We proved that we do have dignity, rather than what we showed last week" at VCU.

George Mason (8-10-1, 4-6-1) didn't get on the scoreboard until the 81st minute when sophomore midfielder Sasha Vido scored from 4 yards out on a pass across the box from sophomore forward Kelly Keelan. GMU shot nine times in the second half, compared to three in the first.

"They knock it around pretty well; they just were without that special player up top, an Annie or a Cate that can really unlock a defense," Lombardo said.

Madison plays Hofstra at 5 p.m. Friday. The Dukes won 2-0 against the Pride earlier this season at Hempstead, N.Y. Friday's match is at the Virginia Beach Sportsplex, where Madison will look to advance and play the winner of William & Mary vs. VCU, which takes place after the JMU game.

JALLOH: Basketball opens Friday

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couldn't have expected from anybody during the three seasons.

The new-look Dukes will make their premiere against a Metro-Atlantic Athletic Conference team, in Siena, that was voted as the preseason favorite to win the league.

Joining Jalloh in the backcourt is sophomore Pierre Curtis, a CAA All-Rookie honoree last season. Their counterparts include Siena's backcourt of Kenny Hasbrouck and Edwin Ubiles, both preseason First-Team selections in the MAAC.

The backcourt battle will be an early measuring stick of how well Curtis and Jalloh will co-exist on both ends of the floor. Both have the ability to penetrate and shoot from the outside.

"We'll be a lot quicker in the backcourt this year," Curtis said. "Both of us will be able to create a lot more open shots for our teammates and ourselves."

JMU fans should be intrigued to see how Curtis and Jalloh play together, but the two guards shouldn't expect a sell-out crowd. The average attendance at the Convocation Center last year didn't even reach half of the 7,156-seat arena.

"I guess a lot more people heard we're gonna be better and we obviously think we're gonna be a lot better," Curtis said. "Now we just have to go out there and prove it and more people will come to games."

Will Curtis' assumptions on his team's improvement be prophetic or will the Dukes continue to be the Dukes our generation is so accustomed to being disappointed by.

Against the Saints tomorrow, JMU will find out if one of its own defied players can use his 'divine' abilities to start the season off with a win, turn JMU's basketball program around, pack the Convo and validate the efforts Keener has made in what still could be a short stay.

FOOTBALL: JMU heads to W&M

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Madison will need to focus its attention on the Tribe first. William & Mary has struggled with injuries on offense, but junior quarterback Jake Phillips is a proven threat with both his arm and legs.

Phillips has thrown for a CAA second-best 15 touchdowns by finding six different receivers for scores but has also gained 321 yards on the ground. His net rushing total shows only 178 yards as the Tribe's offensive line has given up 15 sacks for negative-100 yards.

"We gotta shut down the run early and make sure [Phillips] doesn't get comfortable," Baranowsky said. "They have a few more wrinkles than other offenses we've seen. They throw it at you in different formations."

The Tribe is in last place in the CAA in rushing defense giving up 208.9 yards a game. In its home opener against Delaware, the Blue Hens' Omar Cuff

rushed for 244 yards and six touchdowns.

Last week against Delaware the Dukes compiled 403 yards on the ground with Bolton and red-shirt-freshman Yancey rushing for 172 and 171 yards, respectively.

"They ain't played against an offense like ours yet," sophomore wide receiver Rockeed McCarter said.

McCarter himself has been part of a recently stagnant passing attack that gained only 39 yards against UD and didn't complete a pass in the second half.

Although junior quarterback Rodney Landers has still produced with his legs, he's struggled in each of the last two losses and thrown costly second-half interceptions.

For the second straight week Matthews has held Landers from speaking to the media.

Saturday's game is scheduled for a 7 p.m. kickoff at Zable Stadium in Williamsburg.

Picks of the Week



Game	JMU	JMU	JMU	JMU	JMU	JMU
#16 JMU @ William & Mary	JMU	JMU	JMU	JMU	JMU	JMU
#9 Richmond @ #6 Delaware	Richmond	Delaware	Richmond	Richmond	Delaware	Richmond
Wake Forest @ #21 Clemson	Clemson	Wake Forest	Clemson	Wake Forest	Clemson	Wake Forest
#19 UVA @ Miami	Miami	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA	UVA
Florida State @ #11 Virginia Tech	Va. Tech	Florida State	Va. Tech	Florida State	Va. Tech	Va. Tech
#18 Auburn @ #10 Georgia	Georgia	Auburn	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia
Vikings @ Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers
Jaguars @ Titans	Titans	Titans	Jaguars	Titans	Titans	Titans
Eagles @ Redskins	Redskins	Redskins	Eagles	Redskins	Redskins	Redskins
Bengals @ Ravens	Ravens	Ravens	Bengals	Bengals	Ravens	Ravens
Cowboys @ Giants	Giants	Cowboys	Giants	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys
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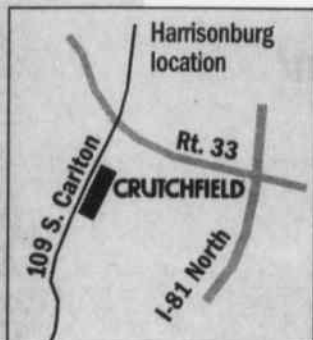
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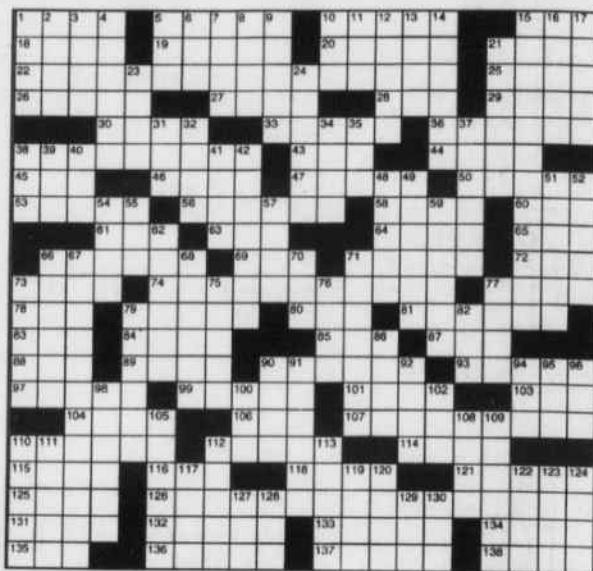
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